

New Hampshire Veterans Home

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New Hampshire Veterans Home Joins Forces with American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars for Community Observance of the World War II Memorial National Dedication Day on Saturday, May 29, 2004

TILTON, NH – May 5, 2004 – The New Hampshire Veterans Home ("NHVH") in partnership with American Legion Post 49 located in Northfield and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1698 located in Franklin plan to pay tribute to local World War II veterans who reside in the communities of Tilton-Northfield and Franklin. NHVH will host a Community Observance of the World War II Memorial Dedication Ceremony on Saturday, May 29, 2004 from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

The event is an opportunity for local World War II veterans and their families to gather with NHVH Residents for a community observance in honor of all those who served during this critical time in our history. In addition to acknowledging the service and sacrifice of local WWII veterans, the event will feature popular music from the 1940s and several large screen televisions will be available for viewing the dedication ceremony that will take place from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. in Washington, DC. World War II veterans who would like to attend may RSVP on or before Friday, May 21, 2004 by calling 603-527-4400 during the hours of 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. or by e-mailing their name and contact information to lisa-marie.mulkern@nhvh.nh.gov. For more information about the National WWII Memorial, please visit the project website at www.wwiimemorial.com

About the New Hampshire Veterans Home

The New Hampshire Veterans Home ("NHVH") was initially established in Tilton in 1890 as the Soldier's Home for Civil War Veterans. Today, the modern facility in its countryside setting is home to 150 men and women who have served their country and fellow New Hampshire citizens. The mission of NHVH is to provide high quality, professional long-term care services to the Granite State's elderly and disabled veterans. NHVH is the only long-term care facility in the Granite State that is dedicated exclusively to veterans.

As a professional health care provider, NHVH offers a full range of services including residential, medical/dental and nursing care as well as physical/occupational therapy, recreation, and dietetic and social services. Chapel services, exercise groups, arts and crafts, shopping trips, live entertainment and various community outings support residents' quality of life. NHVH also offers inter-generational programs and animal-assisted recreational therapy.

Dedicated staff members work in partnership with volunteers from surrounding communities and numerous veteran service organizations to enrich our residents' lives. NHVH recently completed construction of a 100-person Life Enhancement Dementia Unit that will serve the long-term care needs of veterans who suffer from Alzheimer's and other related memory impairment disorders. The facility addition will enable NHVH to provide comprehensive long-term care services to a total of 250 Residents.

Additional information is available online at our website www.nh.gov/veterans